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**ABSTRACT**

The present invention belongs to a technical field of optical  
microscopic imaging and spectral measurement, and dis-  
closes a laser differential confocal mapping-spectrum micro-  
scopic imaging method and device. The core concept of the  
present invention is to combine the differential confocal  
detection and the spectrum detection techniques and use a  
dichroic beam splitting system (13) to separate the Rayleigh  
light for geometric position detection from the Raman scat-  
tering light for spectrum detection, by mean of the property  
that the zero-cross point of the differential confocal curve  
(43) accurately corresponds to the focus of the objective,  
the spectral information at focus of the excitation spot being  
accurately captured by the zero trigger to accomplish the  
spectrum detection with high spatial resolution. Therefore,  
the present invention provides a method and device that may  
be able to accomplish the spectrum detection with high spa-  
tial resolution to a micro-area of a sample.

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